

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE


Applicants: Cunningham et al.  
Serial No: 09/543,612  
Filed: April 5, 2000  
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD  
FOR MEASURING THE MASS  
OF A SUBSTANCE

Confirmation No.: 6510  
Group: 2856  
Examiner: Chapman, Jr., John E.  
Docket No.: DR-308J

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on February 13, 2006.

  
Wynne D. Janis

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN THE THIRD MONTH

Applicants respectfully petition that they be granted an extension of time within the third month, until February 12, 2006, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.136(a), and 1.7, to file a Response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2006. Since February 12, 2006 was a Sunday, this Petition is timely filed on Monday, February 13, 2006. Our check in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed for the fee for a small entity to obtain this extension.


If for any reason this Petition is found to be incomplete, or if at any time it appears that a telephone conference with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates collect in Waltham, Massachusetts, at (781) 890-5678.

02/17/2006 MAHMED1 00000001 09543612

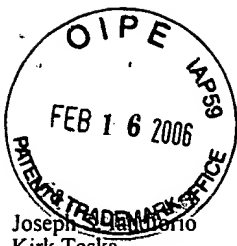
01 FC:2253

510.00 0P

Respectfully submitted,

  
David W. Poirier  
Reg. No. 43,007

DR-308J  
DWP:wj



Joseph Iandiorio  
Kirk Teska  
Jason D. Shanske  
Thomas E. Thompkins, Jr.  
Roy J. Coleman  
David W. Poirier

## IANDIORIO & TESKA

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW ATTORNEYS

260 BEAR HILL ROAD  
WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS 02451-1018

Tel: (781) 890-5678  
Fax: (781) 890-1150  
e-mail: admin@iandiorio.com  
web: www.iandiorio.com

February 13, 2006

Mail Stop AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUBJECT: Applicants: Cunningham et al.  
Serial No.: 09/543,612  
Filed: April 5, 2000  
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MEASURING  
THE MASS OF A SUBSTANCE  
Examiner: Chapman, Jr., John E.  
Group: 2856  
Confirm No.: 6510  
Docket No: DR-308J

---

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a PETITION for Extension of Time within the Third Month to reply to the Final Office Action mailed August 12, 2005 in the subject application. As February 12, 2006 was a Sunday, this petition is timely filed on Monday, February 13, 2006. This Petition for Extension of Time is filed to enable the filing of a divisional application that claims priority to this subject application.

Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$510.00 for the fee for a small entity to obtain the extension.


If for any reason this RESPONSE is found to be INCOMPLETE, or if at any time it appears that a TELEPHONE CONFERENCE with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts, at (781) 890-5678.

If any payment during prosecution is found to be incorrect, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to my Deposit Account No. 09-0002. A copy of this letter is enclosed for use by the Finance Branch in the event that it is necessary to make any charge or credit to my deposit account.

In addition, pursuant to Rule 1.136(a)(3), the Office is hereby authorized to treat any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Also, any request or Petition for an Extension of Time notwithstanding an inadvertent reference in the Petition to a shorter period of time is to be treated as requesting the appropriate length of time.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by returning the enclosed self-addressed postcard.

Sincerely,



David W. Poirier  
Reg. No. 43,007

DWP:wj  
Enclosures

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on

February 13, 2006.

  
Wynne D. Janis